INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 AND 2020

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# CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Officials December 31, 2021

Trustees	Title	Term Expires
Marvin Smith (Resigned October, 2021)	Chairperson	
Matt Peterson	Vice Chairperson	December 31, 2024
Linda England	Secretary	December 31, 2025
Kelly Herring	Treasurer	December 31, 2022
Scott Akin	Trustee	. December 31, 2023
Dean Lammers (Appointed October, 2021)	Trustee	December 31, 2021
Management Personnel		
Tim Larsen	General Manager	Indefinite
Angie Johnston	Office Manager	Indefinite

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Trustees Corning Municipal Utilities Corning, Iowa

#### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### **Opinions**

We have audited the financial statements of the business-type activities and each major fund of Corning Municipal Utilities (a component unit of the City of Corning, Iowa) which comprise the statements of net position as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the related statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities and each major fund of Corning Municipal Utilities as of December 31, 2021 and 2020 and the respective changes in its financial position, and its cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Corning Municipal Utilities and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Corning Municipal Utilities' ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgement made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Corning Municipal Utilities' internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Corning Municipal Utilities' ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require the Budgetary Comparison Schedule, the Schedule of the Utilities' Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability and the Schedule of Utilities' Contributions on pages 34 through 37 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of the financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### To the Board of Trustees Corning Municipal Utilities

The Utilities has omitted the Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinions on the basic financial statements are not affected by this missing information.

## Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

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In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated April 11, 2022 on our consideration of Corning Municipal Utilities' internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Corning Municipal Utilities' internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> in considering Corning Municipal Utilities' internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Atlantic, Iowa April 11, 2022

#### CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Statements of Net Position December 31, 2021

# ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES

		Electric		Water		Gas
Capital Assets - net of depreciation	\$	1,944,284	\$	6,345,547	\$	406,069
Special Purpose Funds: Restricted funds Board designated funds		45,225 213,316		1,356,438 98,675		1,517
Total special purpose funds	-	258,541	-	1,455,113	•	1,517
Current Assets: Cash Certificates of deposit Accounts receivable Unbilled revenues		2,039,678 236,958 45,024 129,781		463,022  26,620 53,523		834,130  25,784 83,871
Inventory Prepaid expenses		94,365		39,988		27,238
Accrued interest receivable		12,218 135		26,554		6,883
Total current assets		2,558,159		609,707		977,906
Other Assets: Interfund receivable Intangibles		3,038,464 45,000				180,308
Total other assets		3,083,464				180,308
Total assets		7,844,448		8,410,367		1,565,800
Deferred Outflows of Resources - Pension		54,800		39,400		36,400
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	\$	7,899,248	\$	8,449,767	\$	1,602,200
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RE	SOURCE	S, AND NET F	OSITI	ON		
Long-Term Debt, less current maturities	\$		\$	2,096,727	\$	
Unearned Revenue				116,835		
Net Pension Liability		189,900		137,100		125,700
Current Liabilities: Current maturities of long-term debt Accounts payable Accrued employee compensation Accrued expenses Accrued interest Total current liabilities		56,164 16,920 11,234 		125,000 49,908 8,460 6,286 3,592 193,246		68,813 8,460 12,527 89,800
Other Liabilities: Interfund payable Consumer deposits Total other liabilities		45,225 45,225		3,218,772 83 3,218,855		1,517 1,517
Total liabilities		319,443		5,762,763		217,017
Deferred Inflows of Resources - Pension		5,000		3,800		3,500
Net Position: Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Unrestricted Total net position		1,989,284 5,585,521 7,574,805		5,191,305 2,508,101) 2,683,204		406,069 975,614 1,381,683
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and net position	<u>\$</u>	7,899,248	<u>\$</u>	<u>8,449,767</u>	<u>\$</u>	1,602,200

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

Sewer	Garbage		Total	
\$	\$		\$	8,695,900
				1,403,180
				311,99 <u>1</u> 1,715,171
1,301		22,896		3,361,027
28,953 		13,996		236,958 140,377 267,175
				161,591 45,655
30,254		36,892		4,212,918
<u></u>				3,218,772 45,000
				3,263,772
30,254		36,892		17,887,761
			-	130,600
\$ 30,254	\$	36,892	<u>\$</u>	<u> 18,018,361</u>
\$	\$		\$	2,096,727
				116,835
				452,700
23,305		 18,690		125,000 216,880
				33,840
23,305		18,690		30,047 3,592 409,359
				2 210 772
				3,218,772 46,825
			-	3,265,597
23,305		18,690		6,341,218
<b>**</b>				12,300
 6,949		 18,202		7,586,658 4,078,185
6,949		18,202		11,664,843
\$ 30,254	<u>\$</u>	36,892	\$	18,018,361

#### CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Statements of Net Position December 31, 2020

## ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES

		Electric	_	Water	·	Gas
Capital Assets - net of depreciation	\$	2,039,792	\$	5,232,323	\$	426,185
Special Purpose Funds: Restricted funds Board designated funds Total special purpose funds	<del>.</del>	42,275 117,288 159,563		2,122,141 167,637 2,289,778		920  920
Current Assets: Cash Certificates of deposit Accounts receivable Other accounts receivable Unbilled revenues Inventory Prepaid expenses Accrued interest receivable Total current assets		1,626,913 235,395 68,436 		369,278 		623,638 151,663 26,129  106,374 28,240 7,608 1,447 945,099
Other Assets: Interfund receivable Unamortized debt issuance costs Intangibles Total other assets	<u> </u>	3,002,640  45,000 3,047,640		4,220  4,220		157,195   157,195
Total assets		7,411,217		8,054,841		1,529,399
Deferred Outflows of Resources - Pension		52,300		37,600		34,800
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	<u>\$</u>	7,463,517	<u>\$</u>	8,092,441	\$	1,564,199
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RE	SOURCE	S, AND NET P	OSIT	<u>ION</u>		
Long-Term Debt, less current maturities	\$		\$	2,224,350	\$	44 14
Unearned Revenue				233,671		
Net Pension Liability		155,300		112,400		102,600
Current Liabilities: Current maturities of long-term debt Accounts payable Accrued employee compensation Accrued expenses Accrued interest Total current liabilities		56,362 18,664 8,520 83,546		115,000 37,093 9,332 3,303 11,594 176,322		68,855 9,332 4,882 
Other Liabilities: Interfund payable Consumer deposits Total other liabilities		42,275 42,275		3,159,835 350 3,160,185		920 920
Total liabilities		281,121		5,906,928		186,589
Deferred Inflows of Resources - Pension		24,900		18,000		16,700
Net Position: Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Unrestricted Total net position		2,084,792 5,072,704 7,157,496		4,613,309 2,445,796) 2,167,513		426,185 934,725 1,360,910
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and net position	<u>\$</u>	7,463,517	\$	8,092,441	<u>\$</u>	1,564,199

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

S	ewer		Garbage Total		
\$		\$		\$	7,698,300
					2,165,336
				•	284,925 2,450,261
	2,273		21,635		2,643,737
	31,176		13,693		387,058 166,752
					307,538
					155,786 43,936
-			==		1,811
	33,449		35,328		3,706,618
	·				3,159,835 4,220
-					45,000
					3,209,055
	33,449		35,328		17,064,234
			===		124,700
<u>\$</u>	33,449	\$	35,328	\$	17,188,934
\$		\$		\$	2,224,350
					233,671
					370,300
	26,500		 17,126		115,000
	20,500				205,936 37,328 16,705
					16,705
	26,500		17,126		11,594 386,563
					3,159,835
					43,545 3,203,380
	26,500		17,126		6,418,264
					59,600
					7,124,286
	6,949		18,202		3,586,784
	6,949		18,202		10,711,070
\$	33,449	<u>\$</u>	35,328	<u>\$</u>	17,188,934

# CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position Year ended December 31, 2021

		Electric		Water		Gas
Operating Revenues: Residential sales Commercial sales Public authority sales SIRWA revenue Other miscellaneous Total operating revenues	\$	821,968 453,353 581,941  6,232 1,863,494	\$	576,091 310,484 74,105 116,836 2,299 1,079,815	\$	323,639 233,902 120,998  813 679,352
Operating Expenses: Purchased energy Operations and maintenance Customer records and collections Sales and use taxes Payroll and payroll taxes Office expense Outside services employed General insurance General administration Depreciation Total operating expenses	\ 	635,866 151,898 1,500 1,589 466,713 8,469 30,326 24,113 14,965 123,968 1,459,407		378,706  118,932 8,143 234,646 24,112 7,925 226,562 999,026		401,993 42,345 4,500 465 169,357 8,162 12,894 24,195 14,819 20,116 698,846
Operating Income (Loss)		404,087		80,789	(	19,494)
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses): Income from merchandising and custom work, net Interest income Interest expense Other Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses), net	_(	12,729 8,313  7,820) 13,222	(	2,652 917 42,018) 3,351 35,098)		1,289 2,515  36,463 40,267
Excess of Revenues Over Expenses Before Capital Grants		417,309		45,691		20,773
Capital Grants				470,000		
Changes in Net Position		417,309		515,691		20,773
Net Position, Beginning of Year		7,157,496		2,167,513		1,360,910
Net Position, End of Year	<u>\$</u>	7,574,80 <u>5</u>	\$	2,683,204	\$	1,381,683

Sewer			Garbage		Total
\$	2,400 2,400	\$	   593 593	\$	1,721,698 997,739 777,044 116,836 12,337 3,625,654
	    2,400  2,400		     593		1,037,859 572,949 6,000 2,054 755,002 24,774 277,866 72,420 40,702 370,646 3,160,272
		•	<u> </u>		465,382
	  		   	(	16,670 11,745 42,018) 31,994 18,391
					483,773
		-			470,000
					953,773
	6,949		18,202		10,711,070
\$	6,949	\$	18,202	\$	11,664,843

# CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position Year ended December 31, 2020

		Electric		Water		Gas
Operating Revenues: Residential sales Commercial sales Public authority sales SIRWA revenue Other miscellaneous Total operating revenues	\$	816,577 435,364 535,121  3,379 1,790,441	\$	549,598 300,888 54,953 116,836 1,476 1,023,751	\$	305,158 229,805 105,677  640,640
Operating Expenses: Purchased energy Operations and maintenance Customer records and collections Sales and use taxes Payroll and payroll taxes Office expense Outside services employed General insurance General administration Depreciation Total operating expenses		587,723 174,635 3,000 704 445,600 8,094 8,107 19,156 21,577 129,881 1,398,477		301,072  115,631 7,633 240,659 20,972 11,190 222,875 920,032		303,295 37,976 9,000 1,060 183,875 7,535 9,693 20,972 14,159 22,550 610,115
Operating Income		391,964		103,719		30,525
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses): Income from merchandising and custom work, net Interest income Interest expense Other Non-Operating Revenues, net	_(	13,890 14,444  8,874) 19,460	(	1,780 1,530 19,043) 48,408 32,675		450 7,082  13,952 21,484
Changes in Net Position		411,424		136,394		52,009
Net Position, Beginning of Year		6,746,072		2,031,119		1,308,901
Net Position, End of Year	\$	7,157,496	<u>\$</u>	2,167,513	\$	1,360,910

Sewer		G	arbage	Total		
\$		\$		\$	1,671,333 966,057	
					695,751 116,836	
	2,400 2,400	-	389 389		7,644 3,457,621	
					891,018	
					513,683	
					12,000 1,764	
	<b></b>				745,106	
					23,262 258,459	
	2,400		389		61,100 49,715	
	2,400	<del></del>	389		375,306 2,931,413	
	-				526,208	
					16,120	
				,	23,056	
			<b></b>	(	19,043)	
					53,486 73,619	
					599,827	
	6,949		18,202		10,111,243	
\$	6,949	\$	18,202	\$	10,711,070	

#### CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Statements of Cash Flows Year ended December 31, 2021

		Electric	Water		Gas	
Cash flows from operating activities: Cash received from consumers Cash paid to suppliers Cash paid to employees Cash paid to City Other operating receipts Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ (	1,896,877 1,021,646) 320,274)  11,141 566,098	\$ {	963,035 665,826) 84,480)  8,302 221,031	\$ (	701,387 534,329) 127,643)  38,565 77,980
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities: Change in interfund Consumer deposits, net Net cash provided by (used in) noncapital financing activities	(	35,824) 2,950 32,874)	_(	58,937 267) 58,670	(	23,113) 597 22,516)
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities: Capital grants Capital expenditures Principal payments Interest paid Net cash used in capital and related financing activities	(	28,460)  28,460)	(	470,000 1,323,896) 115,000) 52,643) 1,021,539)		  
Cash flows from investing activities: Redemption (purchase) of certificates of deposit Income from investments Net cash provided by investing activities	(	1,563) 8,542 6,979		917 917		151,663 3,962 155,625
Net increase (decrease) in cash		511,743	(	740,921)		211,089
Cash at beginning of year		1,786,476	_	2,659,056	-	624,558
Cash at end of year	<u>\$</u>	2,298,219	\$	1,918,135	\$	835,647
Reconciliation of cash to the balance sheets: Cash in current assets Cash in special purpose funds Total cash	\$ 	2,039,678 258,541 2,298,219	\$	463,022 1,455,113 1,918,135	\$	834,130 1,517 835,647
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	Sewer		Garbage	<del></del>	Total
\$	507,689  	\$	210,234	\$ (	4,279,222 2,221,801) 532,397)
(	511,061)	(	209,566)	(	532,397) 720,627)
(	<u>2,400</u> ′ 972)	-			61,001 865,398
	<del></del>				3,280
		<del></del>		-	
					3,280
				(	470,000 1 352 356)
				(	1,352,356) 115,000)
				_(	52,643)
				(	1,049,999)
					150,100
					13,421 163,521
(	972)		1,261	(	17,800)
	2,273		21,635		5,093,998
<u>\$</u>	1,301	\$	22,896	\$	5,076,198
\$	1,301	\$	22,896	\$	3,361,027
	-,		,		1,715,171
\$	1,301	\$	22,896	\$	5,076,198

#### CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Statements of Cash Flows - continued Year ended December 31, 2021

	]	Electric		Water		Gas
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:  Operating income (loss)  Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss)  to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:	\$	404,087	\$	80,789	\$(	19,494)
Other non-operating revenues Depreciation Amortization Unearned revenues Change in assets and liabilities:		4,909 123,968 	(	6,003 226,562 4,220 116,836)		37,752 20,116  
Accounts receivable/unbilled revenues Inventory Prepaid expenses Deferred outflows of resources Net pension liability Accounts payable, trade	(	39,615 18,599) 854) 2,500) 34,600 198)	(	2,355 11,792 1,590) 1,800) 24,700 3,075)	(	22,848 1,002 725 1,600) 23,100 42)
Accrued employee compensation Accrued expenses Deferred inflows of resources Total adjustments	_(	1,744) 2,714 19,900) 162,011	_(	2,983 14,200) 140,242		872) 7,645 13,200) 97,474
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>\$</u>	566,098	<u>\$</u>	221,031	\$	77,980

Sewer			arbage	Total		
\$		\$	<b></b>	\$	465,382	
	  		  	(	48,664 370,646 4,220 116,836)	
(	2,223    3,195)   972)	(	303)   1,564   1,261	(	66,738 5,805) 1,719) 5,900) 82,400 4,946) 3,488) 13,342 47,300) 400,016	
\$(	972)	\$	1,261	\$	865,398	

#### CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Statements of Cash Flows Year ended December 31, 2020

		Electric		Water		Gas
Cash flows from operating activities: Cash received from consumers Cash paid to suppliers Cash paid to employees Cash paid to City	\$ (	1,795,822 928,644) 309,004)	\$ (	900,501 638,691) 81,412)	\$ (	653,886 440,025) 131,658)
Other operating receipts  Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	-	8,395 566,569		51,664 232,062	-	14,402 96,605
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities: Change in interfund Consumer deposits, net Net cash provided by (used in) noncapital financing activities		438,236) 2,095) 440,331)	_(_	552,540 130) 552,410	(	114,304) 50 114,254)
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities: Capital expenditures Proceeds from long-term debt Principal payments Interest paid Net cash provided by (used in) capital and related financing activities	(	53,437)    53,437)	(	217,489) 2,339,350 763,000) 8,583) 1,350,278		
Cash flows from investing activities: Redemption (purchase) of certificates of deposit Income from investments Net cash provided by investing activities		401,026 16,524 417,550		1,530,278 1,530 1,530	(	1,663) 5,635 3,972
Net increase (decrease) in cash		490,351		2,136,280	(	13,677)
Cash at beginning of year		1,296,125		522,776		638,235
Cash at end of year	<u>\$</u>	1,786,476	<u>\$</u>	2,659,056	\$	624,558
Reconciliation of cash to the balance sheets: Cash in current assets Cash in special purpose funds	\$	1,626,913 159,563	\$	369,278 2,289,778	\$	623,638 920
Total cash	\$	1,786,476	\$	2,659,056	\$	624,558

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	Sewer		Garbage		Total		
\$	483,326   489,551)	\$	201,105   201,248)	\$ ( {	4,034,640 2,007,360) 522,074) 690,799)		
(	2,400 3,825)		389 246		77,250 891,657		
				(	 0 175)		
			-		2,175)		
				(	2,175)		
				(	270,926) 2,339,350		
			-	(	763,000) 8,583)		
•				_(	8,583)		
					1,296,841		
					399,363		
					23,689 423,052		
(	3,825)		246		2,609,375		
	6,098		21,389		2,484,623		
\$	2,273	<u>\$</u>	21,635	\$	5,093,998		
ф	2.072	ф	21.625	ф	0 (40 707		
\$	2,273	\$	21,635	\$	2,643,737 2,450,261		
\$	2,273	<u>\$</u>	21,635	\$	5,093,998		

#### CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Statements of Cash Flows - continued Year ended December 31, 2020

	]	Electric		Water		Gas
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:  Operating income	\$	391,964	\$	103,719	\$	30,525
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:						•
Other non-operating revenues		5,016		50,188		14,402
Depreciation Amortization		129,881 1,636		222,875		22,550
Unearned revenues		1,030	(	4,217 116,836)		
Change in assets and liabilities:			(	110,050)		
Accounts receivable/unbilled revenues		8,760	(	4,938)		13,246
Inventory		11,434	(	(887)	(	322)
Prepaid expenses	(	483)	(	885)	(	1,393)
Net pension liability		100			`	100
Accounts payable, trade	,	6,136	(	32,764)		10,995
Accrued employee compensation	(	3,062)	(	1,531)	(	1,531)
Accrued expenses		1,487	(	896)	(	1,067)
Deferred inflows of resources		13,700		9,800		9,100
Total adjustments		174,605		128,343		66,080
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>\$</u>	566 <b>,</b> 569	\$	232,062	\$	96,605

Sewer			Garbage		Total		
\$		\$		\$	526,208		
	  		  	(	69,606 375,306 5,853 116,836)		
(	1,628   5,453)   3,825)	(	826   580)   246	(	19,522 10,225 2,761) 200 21,666) 6,124) 476) 32,600 365,449		
\$(	3,825)	\$	246	\$	891,657		

# NOTE A - REPORTING ENTITY AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 1. Reporting Entity

Corning Municipal Utilities provides electricity, water, and gas services to the City of Corning and the surrounding area. The Utilities are operated as a separate entity under the direction of a Board of Trustees. The members of the Board are appointed by the Mayor and approved by the City Council.

Corning Municipal Utilities has been identified as a component unit of the City of Corning, Iowa. The Utilities, for financial statement purposes, include all of the funds and account groups relevant to the operation of the electric, water, and gas services. Corning Municipal Utilities also provides billing and collection of sewer and garbage services for the City of Corning, however, those amounts have been netted for financial statement purposes. These financial statements do not reflect any activity or transactions of the City of Corning and do not present consolidated information.

The Utilities report in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards and Uniform Systems of Accounts prescribed by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners.

#### 2. Basis of Presentation

The Statements of Net Position display the Utilities' assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Net position is reported in the following categories:

Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation/amortization and reduced by outstanding balances for bonds, notes and other debt attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

#### Restricted net position:

- a. *Nonexpendable* Nonexpendable net position is subject to externally imposed stipulations which require them to be maintained permanently by the Utilities.
- b. *Expendable* Expendable net position results when constraints placed on net position use are either externally imposed or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

*Unrestricted net position* consists of net position not meeting the definition of the preceding categories. Unrestricted net position is often subject to constraints imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

When both restricted and unrestricted net position is available for use, generally it is the Utilities' policy to use restricted net position first.

# CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2021 and 2020

# NOTE A - REPORTING ENTITY AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

#### 3. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Measurement focus refers to when revenues and expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The accompanying basic financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred.

#### 4. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### 5. Capital Assets and Depreciation

The straight-line method is used for computing depreciation with lives on machinery and equipment ranging from five to thirty-five years and lives on buildings of fifty years. Cost of labor, materials, supervision and other expenses incurred in making repairs and minor replacements and in maintaining the properties in efficient operating condition are charged to expense. Utility plant accounts are charged with the cost of improvements and replacements of the plant.

#### 6. Accounts Receivable and Unbilled Revenues

Billings for electric, water, gas, sewer, and garbage revenues are rendered monthly. Unbilled revenues for service consumed between periodic scheduled billing dates is estimated and is recognized as revenue in the period in which the service is provided.

At December 31, 2021 and 2020, management considered accounts receivable to be fully collectible and, therefore, these financial statements do not contain an allowance for doubtful accounts.

#### 7. Inventory Valuation

Inventories (materials, supplies and fuel) are valued at the lower of cost or market. Cost is determined by the average cost method for materials and supplies.

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2021 and 2020

# NOTE A - REPORTING ENTITY AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

#### 8. Investments

Investments are reported at fair value except for short-term highly liquid investments with maturities of less than one year at the time of purchase. These investments are stated at amortized cost, which approximates fair value. Interest, dividends, and gains and losses, both realized and unrealized, on investments are included in non-operating revenue when earned.

#### 9. Purpose of Special Funds

The Utilities have set aside certain assets for specific purposes. The board designated funds represent money designated by the Board of Trustees to be used in the payment of certain potential costs as identified in Note D. The restricted funds, as discussed in Note D, are the result of requirements established in bond issue documents and for consumer deposits. Use of restricted or unrestricted resources for individual projects is determined by the Utility Board of Trustees based on the facts regarding each specific situation.

#### 10. Deferred Outflows of Resources

Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position applicable to future periods which will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) until then. Deferred outflows of resources consist of unrecognized items not yet charged to pension expense and contributions from the Utilities after the measurement date but before the end of the Utilities' reporting period.

#### 11. Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS) and additions to/deductions from IPERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by IPERS. For this purpose, benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions, are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

#### 12. Compensated Absences

Utility employees earn vacation hours at varying rates depending on years of service. Vacation time accumulates to a maximum of 320 hours. Any excess over 320 hours is lost. The computed amount of vacation benefits earned by year end is recorded as part of accrued employee compensation.

#### 13. Deferred Inflows of Resources

Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position applicable to future periods which will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. Deferred inflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position consists of the unrecognized items not yet charged to pension expense and the unamortized portion of the net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments.

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2021 and 2020

# NOTE A - REPORTING ENTITY AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

#### 14. Property Taxes

According to Iowa law, the Electric Utility is required to pay property taxes on transmission lines and related Utility property outside the Corning city limits. The property taxes are recorded as of the date they are paid.

#### 15. Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Corning Municipal Utilities considers all highly liquid debt instruments purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

#### NOTE B - TRANSACTIONS WITH CITY OF CORNING, IOWA

The Utilities act as the billing and collection agent for the City in the collection of sewer and garbage fees from the residents of Corning. This service is provided for a minimal charge to the City.

The Utilities provide electric, water, and gas services to the City of Corning.

Following is a summary of activity between the Utilities and City during the year:

	2021	2020
Sewer Fees Collected for City	\$ 507,689	<u>\$ 483,326</u>
Garbage Fees Collected for City	\$ 210,234	<u>\$ 201,105</u>
Charge to City for Sewer Billing Service	<u>\$ 2,400</u>	\$ 2,400
Charge to City for Utilities	<u>\$ 11,560</u>	<u>\$ 11,263</u>

#### NOTE C - TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN ELECTRIC, WATER, AND GAS FUNDS

Certain administrative costs are split between the Electric, Water, and Gas Funds based on a formula applied consistently throughout the years. Other costs and all revenues are separately identified and accounted for within each Fund.

# NOTE C - TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN ELECTRIC, WATER, AND GAS FUNDS - Continued

Following is information about interdepartment transactions and amounts due between the Electric, Water, and Gas Funds at December 31:

2021

1,517

920

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2020

Interfund receivable due to Electric Fund from Water Fund Interfund receivable due to Gas Fund from Water Fund	\$ 3,038,464	\$ 3,002,640 157,195
	\$ 3,218,772	<u>\$ 3,159,835</u>
NOTE D - SPECIAL PURPOSE FUNDS		
Restricted and board designated funds are available for t	the following purpos	eș:
Electric Fund	2021	2020
Restricted for:	2021	2020
Consumer deposits	<u>\$ 45,225</u>	<u>\$ 42,275</u>
Board designated for: Facility repairs and capital expenditures	<u>\$ 213,316</u>	<u>\$ 117,288</u>
Water Fund	2021	2020
Restricted for: Consumer deposits Reserve fund Bond proceeds for water project	\$ 83 172,035 1,184,320	2020 \$ 350 172,004 1,949,787
	<u>\$ 1,356,438</u>	\$ 2,122,141
Board designated for: Facility repairs and capital expenditures Debt payments	\$ 98,675	\$ 33 167,604
	<u>\$ 98,675</u>	<u>\$ 167,637</u>
Gas Fund	2021	2020
Restricted for:		

Consumer deposits

#### NOTE E - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

The Utilities' deposits at December 31, 2021 and 2020 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to ensure there will be no loss of public funds. The investments are all insured, registered, or held by the Utilities or their agent in the Utilities' name. Investments are stated as indicated in Note A.

The Utilities are authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States Government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the Board of Trustees; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

The Utilities had investments in the Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust which are valued at an amortized cost of \$1,668,346 pursuant to Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940. There were no limitations or restrictions on withdrawals for the IPAIT investments. The Utility's investment in the Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust is unrated.

The composition of restricted and designated funds is as follows:

Electric Fund	2021	2020
	2021	2020
Restricted funds: Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 45,225</u>	<u>\$ 42,275</u>
Board designated funds: Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 213,316</u>	<u>\$ 117,288</u>
Water Fund	2021	2020
Restricted funds: Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 1,356,438</u>	<u>\$ 2,122,141</u>
Board designated funds: Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 98,675</u>	<u>\$ 167,637</u>
Gas Fund	2021	2020
Restricted funds: Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 1,517</u>	\$ 920

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2021 and 2020

#### NOTE E - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - Continued

Interest rate risk - The Utilities' investment policy limits the investment of operating funds (funds expected to be expended in the current budget year or within 15 months of receipt) to instruments that mature within 397 days. Funds not identified as operating funds may be invested in investments with maturities longer than 397 days, but the maturities shall be consistent with the needs and use of the Utilities.

#### NOTE F - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Utilities' investments are reported at fair value in the accompanying statements of net position. The methods used to measure fair value may produce an amount that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although management believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The fair value measurement accounting literature establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. This hierarchy consists of three broad levels: Level 1 inputs consist of unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and have the highest priority. Level 2 inputs consist of observable inputs other than quoted prices for identical assets (Level 1). Level 3 inputs are unobservable and have the lowest priority. The Utilities uses appropriate valuation techniques based on the available inputs to measure the fair value of its interfund receivable. When available, the Utilities measures fair value using Level 1 inputs because they generally provide the most reliable evidence of fair value. No Level 1 or 2 inputs were available to the Utilities, therefore, Level 3 inputs were used to value its investments at December 31, 2021 and 2020.

#### Level 3 Fair Value Measurements

The Utilities' interfund receivables are not actively traded and significant other observable inputs are not available. The fair value of the interfund receivables are based on contract value.

The following tables set forth, by level within the fair value hierarchy, the Utilities' investments at fair value as of December 31, 2021 and 2020:

December 31, 2021		<u> </u>	Fair Value	Un	ignificant nobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Interfund receivable - electric Interfund receivable - gas		\$	3,038,464 180,308	\$	3,038,464 180,308
		<u>\$</u>	3,218,772	<u>\$</u>	3,218,772
<u>December 31, 2020</u>					
Interfund receivable - electric Interfund receivable - gas		\$	3,002,640 157,195	\$	3,002,640 157,195
	17	<u>\$</u>	3,159,835	\$	3,159,835

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2021 and 2020

#### NOTE F - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS - Continued

The following table reconciles the beginning and ending balances of fair value measurement for the Utilities' Level 3 assets using unobservable inputs for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020:

	Interfund Receivable (Payable)					
December 31, 2021		Electric Department	_Dep	Gas partment	_ D	Water epartment
Beginning balance Advances to Water	\$	3,002,640	\$	157,195	\$(	3,159,835)
Department		35,824	F"	23,113	_(_	58,937)
Ending balance	<u>\$</u>	3,038,464	\$	180,308	<u>\$(</u>	3,218,772)
December 31, 2020						
Beginning balance Advances to Water	\$	2,564,404	\$	42,891	\$(	2,607,295)
Advances to water  Department		438,236		114,304	_(_	552,540)
Ending balance	<u>\$</u>	3,002,640	<u>\$</u>	157,195	<u>\$(</u>	3,159,835)

#### NOTE G - UNEARNED REVENUE

In conjunction with the construction of the new water treatment facility, the Utilities received \$2,336,716 from Southwestern Iowa Rural Water Association (SIRWA) related to future usage of the new water plant facility. As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, the amount unearned is \$116,835 and \$233,671, respectively. SIRWA does not possess any ownership rights in the water plant facility. Therefore, the payment received from them is being recognized as revenue over the period of repayment of the bonds used to purchase the new facility (20 years).

The unearned revenue will be recognized as follows:

2022	<u>\$</u>	116,835
	\$	116,835

# NOTE H - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets, additions, disposals, and balances for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 were as follows:

	Balance 2020	Additions	Disposals	Balance 2021
Electric Fund Plant and Equipment Depreciation	\$ 5,490,699 3,517,427	\$ 28,460 123,968	\$ 	\$ 5,519,159 3,641,395
Depreciable Capital Assets, net	<u>\$ 1,973,272</u>	<u>\$( 95,508)</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 1,877,764</u>
Land	\$ 66,520	\$	\$	\$ 66,520
Non-Depreciable Capital Assets	<u>\$ 66,520</u>	\$	\$	<u>\$ 66,520</u>
Total Capital Assets, net	\$ 2,039,792	<u>\$( 95,508)</u>	\$	<u>\$ 1,944,284</u>
	Balance 2019	Additions	Disposals	Balance 2020
Electric Fund Plant and Equipment Depreciation		Additions  \$ 53,437	Disposals  \$	
Plant and Equipment	\$ 5,437,262	\$ 53,437	•	\$ 5,490,699
Plant and Equipment Depreciation Depreciable Capital Assets,	\$ 5,437,262 3,387,546	\$ 53,437 129,881	\$	\$ 5,490,699 3,517,427
Plant and Equipment Depreciation  Depreciable Capital Assets, net	\$ 5,437,262 3,387,546 \$ 2,049,716	\$ 53,437 129,881 \$( 76,444)	\$ \$	\$ 5,490,699 3,517,427 \$ 1,973,272

## NOTE H - CAPITAL ASSETS - Continued

	Balance 2020	Additions	Disposals	Balance 2021		
Water Fund Plant and Equipment Depreciation	\$ 8,740,277 3,782,019	\$ 1,410,678 226,562	\$	\$ 10,150,955 4,008,581		
Depreciable Capital Assets, net	\$ 4,958,258	<u>\$ 1,184,116</u>	\$	<u>\$ 6,142,374</u>		
Construction in Progress Land	\$ 131,527 142,538	\$ 1,339,786	\$ 1,410,678 	\$ 60,635 142,538		
Non-Depreciable Capital Assets	<u>\$ 274,065</u>	\$ 1,339,786	<u>\$ 1,410,678</u>	\$ 203,173		
Total Capital Assets, net	\$ 5,232,323	\$ 2,523,902	<u>\$ 1,410,678</u>	\$ 6,345,547		
	Balance 2019	Additions	Disposals	Balance 2020		
Water Fund Plant and Equipment Depreciation		Additions \$ 164,039 222,875	Disposals  \$			
Plant and Equipment	\$ 8,576,238	\$ 164,039	•	\$ 8,740,277		
Plant and Equipment Depreciation  Depreciable Capital Assets,	\$ 8,576,238 3,559,144	\$ 164,039 222,875	\$	\$ 8,740,277 3,782,019		
Plant and Equipment Depreciation  Depreciable Capital Assets, net  Construction in Progress	\$ 8,576,238 3,559,144 \$ 5,017,094 \$ 66,654	\$ 164,039 222,875 \$( 58,836)	\$ \$	\$ 8,740,277 3,782,019 \$ 4,958,258 \$ 131,527		

## NOTE H - CAPITAL ASSETS - Continued

	Balance 2020	Additions	Disposals	Balance 2021	
Gas Fund Plant and Equipment Depreciation	\$ 1,268,562 842,377	\$ 20,116	\$ 	\$ 1,268,562 862,493	
Total Capital Assets, net	\$ 426,185	<u>\$( 20,116)</u>	\$	<u>\$ 406,069</u>	
	Balance 2019	Additions	Disposals	Balance2020	
Gas Fund Plant and Equipment Depreciation	\$ 1,268,562 819,827	\$ 22,550	\$ 	\$ 1,268,562 842,377	
Total Capital Assets, net	<u>\$ 448,735</u>	<u>\$( 22,550</u> )	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 426,185</u>	

#### NOTE I - ELECTRIC FUND NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES

A schedule of changes in Electric Fund non-current liabilities for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 follows:

Electric Fund		Balance 2020	 Additions	R	Leductions		Balance 2021
Net Pension Liability Consumer Deposits, net	\$	155,300 42,275	\$ 34,600 2,950	\$		\$	189,900 45,225
Total Non-Current Liabilities	s <u>\$</u>	197,575	\$ 37,550	<u>\$</u>		<u>\$</u>	235,125
Electric Fund		Balance 2019	 Additions	R	eductions		Balance 2020
Net Pension Liability Consumer Deposits, net	\$	155,200 44,370	\$ 100	\$	2,095	\$	155,300 42,275
Total Non-Current Liabilities	\$ \$	199,570	\$ 100	<u>\$</u>	2,095	\$	197,575

#### NOTE J - WATER FUND NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES

A schedule of changes in Water Fund non-current liabilities for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 follows:

Water Fund	 Balance 2020	Ad	ditions	_Re	ductions		Balance 2021
2020 Revenue Bonds Debt Premium Less Current Portion Long-Term Debt, net	\$ 2,300,000 39,350 115,000) 2,224,350	\$	10,000) 10,000)	\$	115,000 2,623  117,623	\$ _(_	2,185,000 36,727 125,000) 2,096,727
Net Pension Liability Interfund Payable Consumer Deposits, net Total Non-Current Liabilities	 112,400 3,159,835 350 5,496,935	<del></del> \$	24,700 58,937  73,637	<u> </u>	267 117,890	<del></del>	137,100 3,218,772 83 5,452,682

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2021 and 2020

#### NOTE J - WATER FUND NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES - Continued

Water Fund	Balance 2019		Additions		_R	eductions_	Balance 2020		
2002 Revenue Bonds 2020 Revenue Bonds Debt Premium Less Current Portion Long-Term Debt, net	\$(	763,000  247,000) 516,000	\$	2,300,000 39,350  2,339,350	\$	763,000  132,000) 631,000	\$	2,300,000 39,350 115,000) 2,224,350	
Net Pension Liability Interfund Payable Consumer Deposits, net		112,400 2,607,295 480		552,540	·	130		112,400 3,159,835 350	
Total Non-Current Liabilities	\$	<u>3,236,175</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>2,891,890</u>	\$	<u>631,130</u>	\$	5,496,935	

#### Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2020

On September 30, 2020, Corning Municipal Utilities issued water revenue bonds in the amount of \$2,300,000 with interest at the rate of 2.00 percent for the purpose of defraying the cost of replacing water mains. Interest on the bonds is payable semi-annually on June 1 and December 1 of each year the notes are outstanding. Principal payments on the bonds commence on June 1, 2021 and are due annually thereafter until paid in full in June, 2036. Debt service payments are payable solely from the net revenues of the water utility.

The resolutions providing for the debt issuance of the water revenue notes include the following provisions:

- (a) The notes will only be redeemed from the future net revenues of the Water Fund activity and the bond holders hold a lien on the future earnings of the fund.
- (b) The proceeds shall be used for the sole purpose of replacing water mains as approved in the project plan.

The Utilities is required to establish a sinking or reserve account by the Water Revenue Bond resolution and has done so in accordance with the agreement.

The Water Revenue Bond requirements state that net revenues should be at least 110% of the amount of principal and interest falling due in the same year.

The annual debt service on the bonds is expected to require approximately 21% of cash flow available for debt service. For the current year, debt service and cash flow for debt were approximately \$167,600 and \$788,500, respectively.

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2021 and 2020

#### NOTE J - WATER FUND NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES - Continued

Principal and interest payments required on Water Fund long-term debt during each of the years ending December 31, 2022 through 2036 are as follows:

	<u>P</u>	rincipal	]	Interest	Total		
2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 2027-2031 2032-2036	\$	125,000 130,000 130,000 135,000 135,000 730,000 800,000	\$	42,450 39,900 37,300 34,650 31,950 117,000 40,600	\$	167,450 169,900 167,300 169,650 166,950 847,000 840,600	
	<u>\$</u>	2,185,000	<u>\$</u>	343,850	\$	2,528,850	

The Interfund Payable represents advances the water fund has received from the electric and gas funds. The advances represent a 0% interest rate loan and do not have an established repayment schedule or maturity date.

#### NOTE K - GAS FUND NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES

A schedule of changes in Gas Fund non-current liabilities for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 follows:

Gas Fund	P	Balance 2020		Additions	R	eductions		Balance 2021
Net Pension Liability Consumer Deposit, net	\$	102,600 920	\$	23,100 597	\$		\$	125,700 1,517
Total Non-Current Liabilities	<u>\$</u>	103,520	<u>\$</u>	23,697	\$		<u>\$</u>	127,217
Gas Fund	-	Balance 2019	1	Additions	_R	eductions		Balance 2020
Net Pension Liability Consumer Deposit, net	\$	102,500 870	\$	100 50	\$		\$	102,600 920
Total Non-Current Liabilities	<u>\$</u>	103,370	<u>\$</u>	<u> 150</u>	\$		<u>\$</u>	103,520

### NOTE L - PENSION PLAN

<u>Plan Description</u> - IPERS membership is mandatory for employees of the Utilities, except for those covered by another retirement system. Employees of the Utilities are provided with pensions through a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan administered by Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS). IPERS issues a stand-alone financial report which is available to the public by mail at P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9117 or at <a href="https://www.ipers.org">www.ipers.org</a>.

IPERS benefits are established under Iowa Code chapter 97B and the administrative rules thereunder. Chapter 97B and the administrative rules are the official plan documents. The following brief description is provided by general informational purposes only. Refer to the plan documents for more information.

Pension Benefits - A Regular member may retire at normal retirement age and receive monthly benefits without an early-retirement reduction. Normal retirement age is age 65, any time after reaching age 62 with 20 or more years of covered employment or when the member's years of service plus the member's age at the last birthday equals or exceeds 88, whichever comes first. These qualifications must be met on the member's first month of entitlement to benefits. Members cannot begin receiving retirement benefits before age 55. The formula used to calculate a Regular member's monthly IPERS benefit includes:

- A multiplier based on years of service.
- The member's highest five-year average salary, except members with service before June 30, 2012 will use the highest three-year average salary as of that date if it is greater than the highest five-year average salary.

If a member retires before normal retirement age, the member's monthly retirement benefit will be permanently reduced by an early-retirement reduction. The early-retirement reduction is calculated differently for service earned before and after July 1, 2012. For service earned before July 1, 2012, the reduction is 0.25% for each month the member receives benefits before the member's earliest normal retirement age. For service earned on or after July 1, 2012, the reduction is 0.50% for each month the member receives benefits before age 65.

Generally, once a member selects a benefit option, a monthly benefit is calculated and remains the same for the rest of the member's lifetime. However, to combat the effects of inflation, retirees who began receiving benefits prior to July 1990 receive a guaranteed dividend with their regular November benefit payments.

<u>Disability and Death Benefits</u> - A vested member who is awarded federal Social Security disability or Railroad Retirement disability benefits is eligible to claim IPERS benefits regardless of age. Disability benefits are not reduced for early retirement. If a member dies before retirement, the member's beneficiary will receive a lifetime annuity or a lump-sum payment equal to the present actuarial value of the member's accrued benefit or calculated with a set formula, whichever is greater. When a member dies after retirement, death benefits depend on the benefit option the member selected at retirement.

### NOTE L - PENSION PLAN - Continued

Contributions - Contribution rates are established by IPERS following the annual actuarial valuation which applies IPERS' Contribution Rate Funding Policy and Actuarial Amortization Method. State statute limits the amount rates can increase or decrease each year to 1 percentage point. IPERS Contribution Rate Funding Policy requires the actuarial contribution rate be determined using the "entry age normal" actuarial cost method and the actuarial assumptions and methods approved by the IPERS Investment Board. The actuarial contribution rate covers normal cost plus the unfunded actuarial liability payment based on a 30-year amortization period. The payment to amortize the unfunded actuarial liability is determined as a level percentage of payroll based on the Actuarial Amortization Method adopted by the Investment Board.

In fiscal year 2021 and 2020, pursuant to the required rate, Regular members contributed 6.29% of covered payroll and the Utilities contributed 9.44% of covered payroll for a total rate of 15.73%.

The Utilities' contributions to IPERS for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 were approximately \$48,400 and \$46,400, respectively.

Net Pension Liability, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions - At December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Utilities reported a liability of \$452,700 and \$370,300, respectively for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020 and 2019, which is an estimate as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an estimate of an actuarial valuation. The Utilities' proportion of the net pension liability was based on the Utilities' share of contributions to IPERS relative to the contributions of all IPERS participating employers. At June 30, 2020, the Utilities' proportion was 0.006445%, which was an increase of 0.000051% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

### NOTE L - PENSION PLAN - Continued

For the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Utilities' recognized pension expense of approximately \$81,800 and \$79,200, respectively. The Utilities reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	2021							
		Ele		c			iter	
	O	eferred utflows Resources		Deferred Inflows Resources		Deferred Outflows Resources	$I_1$	eferred nflows Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	200	\$	4,500	\$	200	\$	3,200
Changes of assumptions		9,700				7,000		
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on IPERS investments		10,700		. <b></b>		7,700		
Changes in proportion and differences between Utilities contributions and proportionate share of contributions		13,900		500		9,900		600
Utilities contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>.                                    </u>	20,300				14,600		
	\$	54,800	<u>\$</u>	5,000	<u>\$</u>	39,400	<u>\$</u>	3,800
				20	21			
			as			Total All	Util	ities
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Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	100	\$	3,000	\$	500	\$	10,700
Changes of assumptions		6,500				23,200		
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on IPERS investments		7,100				25,500		
Changes in proportion and differences between Utilities contributions and proportionate share of contributions		9,200		500		33,000		1,600
Utilities contributions subsequent to the measurement date		13,500		bed park		48,400		and ton
•	<u>\$</u>	36,400	\$	3,500	<u>\$</u>	130,600	<u>\$</u>	12,300

### NOTE L - PENSION PLAN - Continued

	2020							
		Elec			Water			
	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources		Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	400		,600		300	\$	4,000
Changes of assumptions	16,	600				12,000		
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on IPERS investments	-		17,	,500				12,500
Changes in proportion and differences between Utilities contributions and proportionate share of contributions	15,	800	1,	,800		11,300		1,500
Utilities contributions subsequent to the measurement date	19,	<u>500</u>				14,000		<b></b>
	\$ 52,3	<u>300</u>	<u>\$ 24,</u>	900	<u>\$</u>	37,600	<u>\$</u>	18,000
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		Ga				Total All		
	Deferre		Deferre			ferred		eferred
	Outflow		Inflow			flows		flows
	of Resour	ces	of Resou	rces	of Re	sources	of R	esources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 3	300	\$ 3,	700	\$	1,000	\$	13,300
Changes of assumptions	11,1	100				39,700		
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on IPERS investments		-	11,	700				41,700
Changes in proportion and differences between Utilities contributions and proportionate share of contributions	10,5	500	1,	300		37,600		4,600
Utilities contributions subsequent to the measurement date	12,9	<u>900</u> .	····	·-	F	46,400		
	\$ 34,8	<u>300</u>	<u>\$ 16,</u>	<u>700</u>	<u>\$ 1</u>	24,700	\$	59,600

## CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2021 and 2020

### NOTE L - PENSION PLAN - Continued

Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions of \$48,400 and \$46,400 represent the amount the Utilities contributed subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the years ended December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2021, respectively. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended December 31,	Electric			Water		Gas	Total All Utilities	
2022 2022 2023 2024 2026	\$	7,500 7,300 6,500 7,900 300	\$	5,400 5,200 4,600 5,600 200	\$	5,000 4,900 4,200 5,200 100	\$	17,900 17,400 15,300 18,700 600
Year Ended	\$	29,500	<u>\$</u>	21,000	<u>\$</u>	19,400	\$	<u>69,900</u> Total
December 31,	E	lectric		Water		Gas		<u>Utilities</u>
2021 2022 2023 2024 2025	\$ 	7,000 500 200 600) 800		4,900 400 200 400) 500	\$ 	4,600 300 200 400) 500	\$ (	16,500 1,200 600 1,400) 1,800
	\$	7,900	\$	5,600	\$	5,200	\$	18,700

There were no non-employer contribution entities to IPERS.

<u>Actuarial Assumptions</u> - The total pension liability in the June 30, 2020 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement.

Rate of Inflation (effective June 30, 2017)	2.60% per annum.
Rates of salary increases (effective June 30, 2017)	3.25% to 16.25%, average, including inflation. Rates vary by membership group.
Long-term investment rate of return (effective June 30, 2017)	7.00% compounded annually, net of investment expense, including inflation.
Wage growth (effective June 30, 2017)	3.25% per annum based on 2.60% inflation and 0.65% real wage inflation.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2020 valuation were based on the results of an economic assumption study dated March 24, 2017 and a demographic assumption study dated June 28, 2018.

Mortality rates used in the 2020 valuation were based on the RP-2014 Employee and Healthy Annuitant Tables with the MP-2017 generational adjustments.

### NOTE L - PENSION PLAN - Continued

The long-term expected rate of return on IPERS' investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates (expected returns, net of investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Asset Allocation	Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic equity	22.0%	4.43%
International equity	17.5	5.15
Global smart beta equity	6.0	4.87
Core plus fixed income	28.0	(0.29)
Public credit	4.0	2.29
Cash	1.0	(0.78)
Private equity	11.0	6.54
Private real assets	7.5	4.48
Private credit	3.0	3.11
Total	100%	

<u>Discount Rate</u> - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed employee contributions will be made at the contractually required rate and contributions from the Utilities will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, IPERS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on IPERS' investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Utilities' Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the Utilities' proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.00%, as well as what the Utilities' proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate 1% lower (6.00%) or 1% higher (8.00%) than the current rate.

	1% ecrease .00%)	riscount Rate 7.00%)	•	1% Increase (8.00%)
Electric Water Gas	\$ 316,700 228,600 209,600	\$ 189,900 137,100 125,700	\$	83,600 60,400 55,400
Utilities' proportionate share of the net pension liability - December 31, 2021	\$ 754,900	\$ 452,700	<u>\$</u>	199,400

### CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2021 and 2020

#### NOTE L - PENSION PLAN - Continued

ora a rangior (Tarity Continuou		1% Decrease (6.00%)		Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)		
Electric Water Gas	\$	275,700 199,600 182,200	\$	155,300 112,400 102,600	\$	54,300 39,300 35,800	
Utilities' proportionate share of the net pension liability - December 31, 2020	<u>\$</u>	657,500	<u>\$</u>	370,300	<u>\$</u>	129,400	

<u>IPERS' Fiduciary Net Position</u> - Detailed information about IPERS' fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued IPERS financial report which is available on IPERS' website at <u>www.ipers.org</u>.

Payables to IPERS - At December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Utilities reported payables to IPERS of \$ - 0 - and \$ - 0 -, respectively, for legally required employer contributions and \$ - 0 - and \$ - 0 -, respectively, for legally required employee contributions which had been withheld from employee wages but not yet been remitted to IPERS.

### NOTE M - OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)

Plan Description: The Utilities operate a single-employer benefit plan which provides medical and prescription drug benefits for employees, retirees and their spouses. Group insurance benefits are established under Iowa Code Chapter 509A.13. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75.

OPEB Benefits: Individuals who are employed by the Utilities and are eligible to participate in the group health plan are eligible to continue healthcare benefits upon retirement. Retirees under age 65 pay the same premium for the medical and prescription drug benefits as active employees, which results in an implicit rate subsidy and an OPEB liability.

### CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2021 and 2020

### NOTE M - OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) - Continued

Retired participants must be age 55 or older at retirement. At December 31, 2021, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently	_
receiving benefit payments	0
Active employees	 6
Total	6

Net OPEB Obligation: Management of the Utilities consider any OPEB obligation, which may exist, to be immaterial. No liability has been recorded.

### NOTE N - COVID-19

In March, 2020, the COVID-19 outbreak was declared a global pandemic. The disruption to businesses across a range of industries in the United States continues to evolve. The full impact to local, regional and national economies, including that of the Utilities, remains uncertain.

To date, the outbreak has not created a material disruption to the operations of the Utilities. However, the extent of the financial impact of COVID-19 will depend on future developments, including the spread of the virus, duration and timing of the economic recovery. Due to these uncertainties, management cannot reasonably estimate the potential impact to the Utilities.

### NOTE O - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

### Construction

The Water Department construction in progress, approximately \$60,635, represents the ongoing Raw Water Pump Station Project. The project is being financed through internally generated funds and through debt proceeds.

#### Risk Management

The Utilities are exposed to common business risks of loss. These risks are covered to the extent practical by the purchase of commercial insurance. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

### Off Balance Sheet and Concentration of Credit Risk

Accounts receivable are due for electric, water, gas, sewer, and garbage charges to customers of Corning, Iowa and the surrounding area. None of the receivables are collateralized. To date, these concentrations of credit risk have not had an adverse effect on the results of operations of the Utilities.

## CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2021 and 2020

### NOTE O - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES - Continued

**Environmental Regulations** 

The Utilities are subject to various federal and state environmental regulations. These regulations are continuously revised and updated, resulting in ongoing compliance requirements. Management has determined that the facility is currently in compliance with the applicable regulations. The Utilities anticipate that any future cost incurred relating to environmental regulations will be recovered through rates charged to customers.

Related Party Transactions

The Utilities had business transactions totaling \$3,892 between the Utilities and a business partially owned by a trustee during the year ended December 31, 2021 (\$1,235 for 2020).

Purchase of Gas

In 2008, the Utilities entered into a purchase commitment to purchase all gas requirements from Interstate Municipal Gas Agency. This contract expires July 31, 2027.

Subsequent Events

The Utilities has evaluated all subsequent events through April 11, 2022, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.



### CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Budgetary Comparison Schedule Year Ended December 31, 2021

### Required Supplementary Information

This budgetary comparison is presented as Required Supplementary Information in accordance with Government Auditing Standards. In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the Board of Trustees annually adopts a budget following required public notice and hearings. The annual budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily-prescribed procedures. The following is a reconciliation between reported amounts and the modified accrual basis used to prepare the budget. The adjustments result from accounting for depreciation and net position differently for financial statement and budget purposes.

		Per Financial Statements						Combined	
	Electric	<u>Water</u>		Gas	_A	djustments		<u>Utilities</u>	
Revenues	\$ 1,884,536	\$ 1,556,735	\$	719,619	\$		\$	4,160,890	
Expenses	1,467,227	1,041,044		698,846	_(_	370,646)		2,836,471	
Net	417,309	515,691		20,773		370,646		1,324,419	
Balance beginning									
of year	<u>7,157,496</u>	2,167,513		1,360,910	_(_	5,220,590)		5,465,329	
Balance end of year	\$ 7,574,805	\$ 2,683,204	<u>\$</u>	1,381,683	<u>\$(</u>	4,849,944)	<u>\$</u>	6,789,748	
				Budget Basis		Budget	I	Variance Favorable nfavorable)	
Revenues			\$	4,160,890	\$	4,167,200	\$(	6,310)	
Expenses				2,836,471	1	5,914,033		3,077,562	
Net				1,324,419	(	1,746,833)		3,071,252	
Balance beginning of	of year			5,465,329	pr	5,465,329			

# CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Schedule of the Utilities' Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability

### Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System For the Last Seven Years

### Required Supplementary Information

	 2021		2020
Utilities' proportion of the net pension liability	0.006445%	`	0.006394%
Utilities' proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 452,700	\$	370,300
Utilities' covered payroll	\$ 491,000	\$	518,000
Utilities' proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	92.20%		71.49%
IPERS' net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	82.90%		85.45%

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 68, the amounts presented for each year were determined as of the preceding year-end.

Amounts reported are rounded.

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

 2019	 2018		2017		2016		2015
0.005849%	0.005828%		0.005221%		0.005573%		0.005572%
\$ 370,100	\$ 388,200	\$	328,600	\$	275,300	\$	275,316
\$ 460,000	\$ 426,000	\$	411,000	\$	343,000	\$	377,000
80.46%	91.13%		79.95%		80.26%		73.03%
83.62%	82.21%		81.82%		85.19%		87.61%

## CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Schedule of Utilities' Contributions

### Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System For the Last Eight Years

### Required Supplementary Information

	2021				
Statutorily required contribution	\$	48,400	\$	46,400	
Contributions in relation to the statutorily required contribution	_(	48,400)	_(_	46,400)	
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$		\$	W 14	
Utilities' covered payroll	\$	512,000	\$	491,000	
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll		9.44%		9.44%	

Note: GASB Statement No. 68 requires ten years of information to be presented in this table. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the Utilities will present information for those years for which information is available.

Note: Amounts are rounded.

	2019		2018		2017		2016		2015	 2014
\$	49,000	\$	42,000	\$	38,000	\$	36,000	\$	37,000	\$ 31,000
_(_	49,000)	_(	42,000)	_(_	38,000)	_(_	36,000)	_(_	37,000)	 31,000)
<u>\$</u>		\$		<u>\$</u>		<u>\$</u>		\$	Pri and	\$ 
\$	518,000	\$	460,000	\$	426,000	\$	411,000	\$	343,000	\$ 377,000
	9.46%		9.13%		8.93%		8.76%		10.79%	8.22%

# CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Notes to Required Supplementary Information - Pension Liability Year Ended December 31, 2021

### Changes of benefit terms:

There are no significant changes in benefit terms.

### Changes of assumptions:

The 2018 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a demographic assumption study dated June 28, 2018:

- Changed mortality assumptions to the RP-2014 mortality tables with mortality improvements modeled using Scale MP-2017.
- Adjusted retirement rates.
- Lowered disability rates.
- Adjusted the probability of a vested Regular member electing to receive a deferred benefit.
- Adjusted the merit component of the salary increase assumption.

The 2017 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of an experience study dated March 24, 2017:

- Decreased the inflation assumption from 3.00% to 2.60%.
- Decreased the assumed rate of interest on member accounts from 3.75% to 3.50% per year.
- Decreased the discount rate from 7.50% to 7.00%.
- Decreased the wage growth assumption from 4.00% to 3.25%.
- Decreased the payroll growth assumption from 4.00% to 3.25%.

The 2014 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a quadrennial experience study:

- Decreased the inflation assumption from 3.25% to 3.00%.
- Decreased the assumed rate of interest on member accounts from 4.00% to 3.75% per year.
- Adjusted male mortality rates for retirees in the Regular membership group.
- Moved from an open 30 year amortization period to a closed 30 year amortization period for the UAL (unfunded actuarial liability) beginning June 30, 2014. Each year thereafter, changes in the UAL from plan experience will be amortized on a separate closed 20 year period.

### COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting
and on Compliance and Other Matters
Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with
Government Auditing Standards

To the Board of Trustees Corning Municipal Utilities Corning, Iowa

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the business-type activities and each major fund of Corning Municipal Utilities as of and for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the related notes to financial statements, which collectively comprise the Utilities' basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated April 11, 2022.

### Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Corning Municipal Utilities' internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Corning Municipal Utilities' internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Corning Municipal Utilities' internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility a material misstatement of the Utilities' financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control which is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. We identified certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses as item 21-I-A that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Corning Municipal Utilities' financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of non-compliance or other matters that are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing</u> Standards.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the Utilities' operations for the year ended December 31, 2021 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the Utilities. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

### Corning Municipal Utilities' Response to Finding

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Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on Corning Municipal Utilities' response to the finding identified in our audit and described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses. Corning Municipal Utilities' response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Utilities' internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> in considering the Utilities' internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Atlantic, Iowa

April 11, 2022

### CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Schedule of Findings and Responses Year ended December 31, 2021

### PART I - INTERNAL CONTROL DEFICIENCIES

### 21-I-A Segregation of Duties:

<u>Criteria</u>: Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control. A good system of internal control provides for adequate segregation of duties so no one individual handles a transaction from its inception to completion. In order to maintain proper internal control, duties should be segregated so the authorization, custody and recording of transactions are not under the control of the same employee. This segregation of duties helps prevent losses from employee error or dishonesty and maximizes the accuracy of the Utilities' financial statements.

<u>Condition</u>: A limited number of people have the primary responsibility for most of the accounting and financial reporting duties.

<u>Cause</u>: The Utilities has a limited number of employees which does not allow procedures to be established to adequately segregate duties or provide compensating controls through additional oversight of transactions and processes.

<u>Effect</u>: Inadequate segregation of duties could adversely affect the Utilities' ability to prevent or detect and correct misstatements, error or misappropriation on a timely basis by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

<u>Recommendation</u>: We recognize that it may not be economically feasible for the Utilities to employ additional personnel for the sole purpose of segregating duties, however, it is our professional responsibility to bring this control deficiency to your attention. We recommend that the Board be aware of the lack of segregation of duties and that they act as an oversight group to the accounting personnel.

<u>Response</u>: The Board is aware of this lack of segregation of duties, but it is not economically feasible for the Utilities to employ additional personnel for this reason. The Board will continue to act as an oversight group.

Conclusion: Response accepted.

# CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Schedule of Findings and Responses - Continued Year ended December 31, 2021

### PART II - REQUIRED STATUTORY REPORTING

- <u>21-II-A Certified Budget</u>: Disbursements during the year ended December 31, 2021 did not exceed amounts budgeted.
- <u>21-II-B Questionable Expenditures</u>: During the audit, we noted no expenditures of the Utilities' funds without proper documentation of public purpose.
- <u>21-II-C Travel Expense</u>: No expenditures of Utilities' money for travel expenses of spouses of Utilities' officials and/or employees were noted.
- <u>21-II-D Business Transactions</u>: The business transactions, which came to our attention during the course of our audit between the Utilities and the Utilities' officials and/or employees, are detailed as follows:

Name, Title and Business Connection	Description	Total <u>Transactions</u>
Scott Akin (Trustee), Part Owner Akin Ltd.	Materials and supplies	\$ 3,892

In accordance with Chapter 362.5(3) of the Code of Iowa, the transactions with Scott Akin (Trustee) do not appear to represent conflicts of interest since total transactions were less than \$6,000 during the fiscal year.

- <u>21-II-E Restricted Donor Activity</u>: No transactions were noted between the Utilities, Utilities officials, Utilities employees and restricted donors in compliance with Chapter 68B of the Code of Iowa.
- <u>21-II-F Bond Coverage</u>: Surety bond coverage of the Utilities' officials and employees appears to be in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of coverage should be reviewed annually to ensure that the coverage is adequate for current operations.
- <u>21-II-G Board Minutes</u>: No transactions were found that we believe should have been approved in the Board minutes but were not.
- <u>21-II-H Deposits and Investments</u>: We noted no instances of non-compliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapter 12B and Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa and the Utilities' investment policy.
- <u>21-II-I Revenue Bonds</u>: No instances of non-compliance with the revenue bond resolutions were noted.

### CORNING MUNICIPAL UTILITIES Schedule of Findings and Responses - Continued Year ended December 31, 2021

### PART II - REQUIRED STATUTORY REPORTING - Continued

<u>21-II-J Economic Development</u>: The Utilities provides funding to Adams Community Economic Development Corporation. The Utilities provided funding totaling \$33,000 to Adams Community Economic Development Corporation in fiscal year 2021. In accordance with Chapter 15A of the Code of Iowa, the Utilities is providing oversight of these funds to determine the funds are being spent in accordance with the agreements and expenses meet the test of public purpose.